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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Naoki KONDO et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 3677
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Application No.: 10/686,594	)	Examiner: Jack W. Lavinder
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Filed: October 17, 2003	)	
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For: SLIDE FASTENER	)	Confirmation No.: 9354

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the non-final Office Action mailed May 3, 2005, please consider the following:

**Remarks/Arguments** beginning on page 2 of this paper.